CHAPTER NO. 269

SENATE BILL NO. 21

By Tracy, Ketron, Fowler, Cohen, McNally, Beavers, Black, Bryson, Burchett, Burks, Chism, Cooper, Crowe, Crutchfield, Finney, Ford, Hagood, Harper, Haynes, Henry, Herron, Jackson, Kilby, Kurita, McLeary, Miller, Norris, Curtis S. Person, Jr., Ramsey, Southerland, Williams, Mr. Speaker Wilder

Substituted for: House Bill No. 376

By Mike Turner, Moore, Pleasant, Miller, Cobb, Mr. Speaker Naifeh, Hill, Watson, Todd, Hood, Coleman, Bone, West, Swafford, McKee, Fowlkes, Roach, Maddox, Hensley, Brown, Ulysses Jones, Harry Brooks, Dunn, Hargett, Campfield, DuBois, Montgomery, Cochran, Davis, Pinion, Shepard, Eldridge, Yokley, Sargent, Hargrove, Favors, Lynn, Overbey, Russell Johnson, Maggart, Marrero, McDonald, Cooper, Towns, Litz, Winningham, Gresham, Hackworth

AN ACT relative to the dedication of a certain tract of real property for a state firefighter memorial.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee Fire Service and Codes Enforcement Academy in Bell Buckle, Tennessee, is the premier firefighting training facility in this state; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee is among a handful of states that do not have a site dedicated to the recognition of the sacrifices and services of firefighters; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that a firefighter memorial be erected upon property dedicated for such purpose at the Tennessee Fire Service and Codes Enforcement Academy; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Tennessee Fire Service and Codes Enforcement Academy, located in Bell Buckle, Tennessee, is hereby authorized, with the approval of the Commissioner of Finance and Administration and the governor, to dedicate approximately one (1) acre of land within the boundaries of the state training academy. Such tract of property is approximately two hundred (200) yards north of the main campus entrance on Unionville-Deason Road. The property shall be dedicated for the erection of a suitable memorial to Tennessee's firefighters. The erection of a suitable memorial shall be completed in conjunction with the Tennessee Fire Chiefs' Association and the Tennessee Fireman's Association.

SECTION 2. The Tennessee Fire Chiefs' Association and the Tennessee Fireman's Association shall provide all the necessary funds for the design, construction and maintenance of the firefighter memorial.

SECTION 3. The Commissioner of Commerce and Insurance shall have the authority to approve or disapprove the design of the firefighter memorial prior to the commencement of construction.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 16, 2005

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JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER USE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 28th day of May 2005

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR